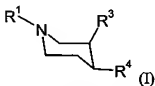


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A piperidine derivative of the Formula I:



or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

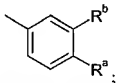
wherein

R¹ represents hydrogen or alkyl;

R³ represents -CH₂-O-Rᶜ;

wherein Rᶜ represents alkyl or cycloalkylalkyl;

R⁴ represents



wherein Rᵃ and Rᵇ independently of each other represent halo.

2. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound of claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R¹ represents hydrogen.

3. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound of claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R¹ represents alkyl.

4. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound according to claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^c represents alkyl.

5. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound according to claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^c represents cycloalkylalkyl.

6. (Currently Amended) The chemical compound according to claim 1, or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^a represents chloro and R^b represents chloro.

7. (Original) The chemical compound of claim 1, which is

- 1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 1-methyl-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 1-methyl-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- 3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;

or any of its isomers or any mixture of its isomers, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. (Original) The chemical compound of claim 1, which is

- (±)-Cis-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (±)-Cis-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (±)-Trans-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (±)-Trans-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (+)-Cis-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (+)-Cis-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (-)-Cis-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (+)-Cis-1-methyl-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (-)-Cis-1-methyl-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
- (-)-Cis-1-methyl-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;

(+)-Trans-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Trans-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Trans-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Trans-1-methyl-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Trans-1-methyl-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Trans-1-methyl-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Cis-1-methyl-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Trans-1-methyl-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Trans-1-methyl-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Cis-1-methyl-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(+)-Cis-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Cis-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Cis-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(-)-Cis-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(+)-Cis-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Cis-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Trans-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(-)-Trans-3-ethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(+)-Trans-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(-)-Trans-3-methoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(-)-Trans-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine ;
(+)-Trans-3-cyclopropylmethoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;

(+)-Cis-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Cis-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(+)-Trans-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
(-)-Trans-3-isobutoxymethyl-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-piperidine;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. – 13. (Cancelled).